29 January 2024

Present

Clarissa Farr (Chair) (CF) Fumitaka Eshima Elisa Albini Pamela Cross Daniel Dodd Lisa Hopkins Kyle Jordan Jean McMeakin Danielle Parker Andrew Robinson Paul Stokes Yinsey Wang

In attendance

Sian Hoggett, Head of The British Museum Friends (SH) Eleanor Bason, Membership Services Manager (Member Relations (EB) Mikyoung Pearce, Membership Services Manager (Sales) (MP) Carl Heron, Acting Deputy Director (CH) Alice Fraser, Head of Capital Projects: Masterplan (AF)

Apologies

Brigid Hains

1. Minutes of the last meeting and apologies

Minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be true and accurate.

2. Update from Chair of Council

CF updated the Council on discussions at the Board level. CF also officially thanked Fumitaka Eshima for taking on the role of Deputy Chair.

3. Update from Carl Heron, Deputy Director

CH updated the group on the actions the Museum had taken following the announcement that items from the collection had been found to be lost, missing or stolen, with a particular focus on the work to document and digitise the collection.

4. Update from Alice Fraser, Head of Capital Projects: Masterplan

AF updated the group on work that has taken place to date on the Museum's Masterplan and next steps, including the forthcoming launch of an architectural competition.

5. Update from Head of Membership (including accounts, pricing and feedback)

SH updated the Council on accounts, the proposal for Membership pricing for 2024-25 and patterns in Member feedback.

6. Any other business

No further business was discussed.